

Are there any forms that we can use to track the purchases for documentation?

Maine has not developed and forms. We suggest using your current system and maybe labeling in some form which invoice or partial invoice applies the SCA.

So can the schools have families fill out the economic status form if the district is utilizing the CEP option? The F&R app gathered more information other than what is used by the food service dept.

The district can have families fill out the form for their use with no issue. It is the district form and data, not the food service department. The economic status CANNOT be used for USDA programs.

SFSP - if we have not reached the 50% eligibility and it has been 5 years are we able to run the SFSP complimentary meals to kids?

Meals cannot be complimentary unless they are paid for by an outside funding source unaffiliated with child nutrition programs. This third party funding source would also need to pay for staff costs. If a site cannot be qualified through School or census data DOE may be able to help you qualify it with other methods; please reach out!

What has happened to the State match money for breakfast & lunch for SY 2022?

State match was paid out first week of February.

Could you give some examples of some approved methods for meal accountability?

The accountability method will vary depending on which method being used. Traditional would be the same as prior to March 2020.

Do we separate student meals by category (F,R,P) for SY 2023?

Yes for special Provision 2 and traditional, but no for CEP.

Are schools that do not have 50% eligible for F&R going to participate in the summer feeding program this summer?

Schools or districts that do not qualify with 50% F/R could still potentially operate sites through census data and or closed enrollment programs. Currently the USDA has not issued the "area eligibility" waiver for this summer that would otherwise allow you to operate a site that is less than 50% F/R

Wait, Sept 30, 2023? So we have a year and a half to spend?

YES

Will there be some sort of "back to basics" to remind us all what needs to be done? It has been a LONG 2 years!

Great idea we are talking about this internally